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HOLDING AND PROTECTING VIALS)
IN LEVELS)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicant responds to the Office Action mailed on February 10, 2006. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and the remarks that follow:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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